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## FCC TO LAUNCH BROADBAND HEALTH MAPPING TOOL

Washington, DC event to feature FCC leadership, showcase opportunities for connected health solutions

Washington, D.C. - On August 2, 2016, the Federal Communications Commission's Connect2Health Task Force (C2H) will unveil a new mapping tool in support of its efforts to further chart the broadband future of healthcare. The Mapping Broadband Health in America tool enables more efficient, data-driven decision making at the intersection of broadband and health and promotes stakeholder collaboration. By allowing users to ask and answer questions about broadband and health at the county and census block levels, the tool provides valuable data and insights to drive broadband health policies and connected health solutions for this critical space.

Recognizing that technology innovations in clinical practice and care delivery are fundamentally changing the face of health care, C2H has been exploring and analyzing the intersection of broadband, advanced technology, and health. This mapping tool builds on the group's work and reflects the overarching vision of the Task Force for leveraging broadband in health: "Everyone connected to the people, services, and information they need to get well and stay healthy."

WHAT: Mapping Broadband Health in America

> This event, to be held in collaboration with the Partnership to Fight Chronic Disease, will highlight a new FCC mapping tool for exploring the potential of connected care and will demonstrate how the tool can be used by a variety of stakeholders to identify collaborations – public/private, network/applications, and outreach/education – that improve connectivity and health. Gaps and opportunities in rural and underserved areas will also be featured.

WHEN: August 2, 2016; 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon

WHERE: Microsoft Innovation and Policy Center

> 901 K Street, N.W. 12th Floor Tech Lab Washington, DC 20001

WHO: Policymakers, industry leaders, health technology innovators, consumer advocates,

clinicians, rural health organizations, county and city health officials, and others

interested in leveraging technology to help address health needs.

Please e-mail connect2health@fcc.gov with "Mapping Broadband Health Registration" REGISTER:

in the subject line and provide your name, organization affiliation and contact

information. Reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon

request. Include a description of the accommodation you will need and tell us how to contact you if we need more information. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill. Send an e-mail to <a href="fcc504@fcc.gov">fcc504@fcc.gov</a> or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (TTY).

QUESTIONS: For event questions, contact the C2H Outreach Director, Roger Goldblatt, at <a href="mailto:Roger.Goldblatt@fcc.gov">Roger.Goldblatt@fcc.gov</a>. For media inquiries, contact the C2H Communications Director, Katie Gorscak, at <a href="mailto:Katie.Gorscak@fcc.gov">Katie.Gorscak@fcc.gov</a>.

Additional details, including an event agenda, will be issued at a later date. Details also will be posted on the Connect2Health<sup>FCC</sup> Task Force website: <a href="http://www.fcc.gov/health">http://www.fcc.gov/health</a>.

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